

Joint Early Childhood Budget Hearing

Wednesday, December 11, 2013

9:00am – 12:00pm

James R. Thompson Center, 100 W. Randolph, 16th floor, Suite 16-503, Chicago

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AGENDA

- I. Welcome** – Gery Chico, Chairman of ISBE Board
- II. Introduction of Panelists**
 - a. Gery Chico – Board Chair, IL State Board of Education
 - b. Greg Donathon – IL Dept. of Children and Family Services
 - c. Dan Harris – IL Dept. of Human Services
 - d. Theresa Hawley – Governor’s Office of Early Childhood Development
 - e. Reyna Hernandez – IL State Board of Education
 - f. Linda Saterfield – IL Dept. of Human Services
- III. Overview of Illinois Early Childhood System** – Theresa Hawley, Director of the Governor’s Office of Early Childhood Development
- IV. Remarks from Agencies**
- V. Public Comment**
- VI. Closing**

Focus Questions for Public Comment

- What are your top three state budget allocation priorities for early childhood?
- What are some of your challenges in being able to provide access to high quality early learning services in addition to a lack of sufficient funds?
- What outcomes are most important for Illinois’ early childhood system? What metrics would you recommend for determining effectiveness and efficiency in achieving these outcomes?